

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning with the words “The present invention is not limited to...” at page 20, line 26 and ending at page 21, line 25 with the following amended paragraph:

5 The present invention is not limited to modules having single axis deflectors. Modules may
be based on dual axis deflectors. Fig. 9 depicts a schematic diagram of an optical module **900**
that employs dual axis deflectors according to a second alternative version of the fourth
embodiment of the invention. By way of example, the module **900** may generally include one
or more beam steering elements, e.g., a stack of N beam steering elements **901₁...901_N**. The
10 module **900** may be coupled to one or more optical fibers **910₁...910_N**, e.g., via collimators.
Each beam steering element **901_i** may include an LxM array of dual axis deflectors
902₁₁...902_{LM} optically coupled to an L'xM' array of fixed deflectors **906₁₁...906_{L'M'}**. L, M,
L' and M' are all integers greater than or equal to one. According to one variation L=L' and
M=M', however this need not be the case. The deflectors **902₁₁...902_{LM}** may be mirrors that
15 rotate about x-axes [[804]] **904**, and y-axes [[808]] **908** as shown by the arrows **905**, **909**
respectively. The first and second axes **904**, **908** may be perpendicular to each other and may
be referred to as the x- and y- axes respectively. The fixed **906₁₁...906_{L'M'}** deflectors do not
rotate, and may be comprised of one continuous deflector. By way of example, and without
loss of generality, beam steering element **901_N** is depicted as including a single continuous
20 deflector **907** coupled to all of the deflectors in an array **909** of dual axis deflectors.
Furthermore, the invention is not limited to the specific configuration of the fixed and dual
axis deflectors shown in Fig. 9. For example, the relative positions of the fixed deflectors and
the dual axis deflectors may be interchanged.